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1. SUGGESTIONS RE TUNISIANS WHO COULD BE INVITED BY UNIVERSITY OF MAINE TO ATTEND SUBJECT SEMINAR BASED ON ASSUMPTION THAT INVITATION BY UNIVERSITY INCLUDES TRAVEL AND LOCAL EXPENSES OF OVERSEAS INVITEES. THIS WOULD CERTAINLY BE EXPECTED BY TUNISIANS, PARTICULARLY IF THEY WOULD BE EXPECTED TO PRESENT PAPERS OR LEAD DISCUSSIONS. POST ALSO ASSUMES THAT FOR INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE OF THIS TYPE THERE WILL BE PROFESSIONAL SIMULTANEOUS INTERPRETERS AND NECESSARY EQUIPMENT TO PERMIT FULL AND OPEN DISCUSSIONS IN FRENCH AND POSSIBLY ARABIC. IF THESE ASSUMPTIONS NOT CORRECT, DOUBT THAT INDIVIDUALS FROM TUNISIA WOULD BE PREPARED ATTEND ALTHOUGH TUNISIA COULD BE REPRESENTED BY TUNISIAN EMBASSY WASHINGTON OR OFFICE OF TOURISM AND INVESTMENT PROMOTION AGENCY OFFICIAL RESIDENT NEW YORK. OUR SUGGESTIONS AS FOLLOWS:

TIJANI CHELLI, PRESIDENT-DIRECTEUR GENRAL.
AGENCE DE PROMOTION DES INVESTISSEMENTS (API),
18 AVENUE MOHAMED V, TUNIS

MUSTAPHA ZAAOUNI, MINISTRE DELEGUE AUPRES DU
PREMIER MINISTRE, CHARGE DU PLAN, MINISTERE DU
PLAN, RUE DE BEJA, TUNIS

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SLAHEDDINE PACHA, DIRECTEUR DES AGREMENTS, API,

ALI CHEIKH KHALFALLAH, DIRECTEUR DE L'INDUSTRIE,
MINISTERE DE L'ECONOMIE NATIONALE, KASBAH, TUNIS

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MONCEF BELKHODJA, PDG, BANQUE NATIONALE DE TUNISIE,
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2. CHELLI AND ZAAOUNI ARE MINISTER-LEVEL OFFICIALS, WHO
WOULD PROBABLY EXPECT SPECIAL ATTENTION AND WOULD PROBABLY
BE PREPARED TO SPEAK ORUWEAD ONE OF DISCUSSION GROUPS AT
CONFERENCE.

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